

Chapter Five AIRPORT PLANS

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The Airport "master plan" has evolved through the analytic efforts described in the previous chapters. These assessed future aviation demand, established airside and landside facility needs, and evaluated options for the future development of the airside and landside facilities. The planning process, thus far, has included the presentation of four working papers (representing the first four chapters of the master plan) to the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), Sierra Vista Municipal Airport staff, and Libby Army Airfield/Fort Huachuca advisory personnel.

DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

During the third PAC meeting, at which the Airport Alternatives (Chapter Four) working paper was presented, the airport users introduced their own landside design proposal (Users

Alternative). Their alternative combined elements from the various landside alternatives, creating a new layout. The Users Alternative stressed development of the general aviation use of the Airport and included a recommendation to convert the existing commercial service terminal to a general aviation terminal facility and construct a new commercial terminal further to the west. The 20-year forecast for the Airport's commercial service activity, however, does not support this option. The existing commercial terminal facility was determined more than adequate based on the Facility Requirements analysis conducted in Chapter Three of this document. As a result, ADOT and FAA would most likely not financially support such a proposal.

The Users Alternative also proposed a large FBO/maintenance facility for the area immediately west of the existing



commercial service terminal. The users felt that a more visible and convenient FBO facility would serve to increase business/corporate and transient general aviation use of the Airport. For security purposes, however, it is desirable to maintain separation between the commercial and general aviation areas by locating a general aviation terminal and any future FBO sites along the proposed new access road within the property acquisition area.

At the PAC meeting, the Airport users expressed additional concerns about the potential visibility of the proposed aircraft conversion facility from State Route 90. The users recommended locating this facility more to the center of the acquisition area so that large aircraft stored at the facility would not be visible from the highway.

Subsequent to the PAC meeting, additional comments were received from the City and representatives of Libby Army Airfield. These items largely pertained to the airfield. The Army advised that the pavement strength at the intersection of Runway 12-30 with Taxiway Delta is insufficient to accommodate large aircraft and that this would need to be addressed prior to using the proposed parallel Taxiway J in this area.

The Army also expressed an interest in improvements to Runway 12-30 to resolve landing conflicts with Runway 8-26. The purpose of the improvements would be to allow simultaneous use of both runways. Two alternatives were examined. The first examined the use of land and hold short operations

(LAHSO) procedures so that aircraft would come to a full stop prior to the Runway 8-26 intersection. According to FAA Order 7110.118, Land and Hold Short Operations, the Beech 1900 requires a LAHSO available landing distance minimum of 6,400 feet. Without any runway extension, the available landing distance for Runway 12-30 is only 2,450 feet. Implementing LAHSO procedures are complicated and involve many steps, as well as agency approvals. In addition, airlines are reluctant to agree to LAHSO procedures due to safety concerns. The second option for addressing the Army's concerns would be to extend Runway 12 by 4,225 feet to the northwest and relocate the Runway 30 threshold 1,000 feet northwest of the runway Given that only four intersection. percent (4%) of total operations occur on Runway 12-30, it is unlikely that FAA or ADOT would support either option at this time. Should aircraft delays reach greater levels, then the runway extension may be warranted.

The Army also questioned whether one mile visibility minimums could be achieved to Runway 3-21. Given the limited use of this runway (approximately one percent of total operations), a published approach is not justified. Consideration of a GPS approach to this runway has, therefore, been eliminated from the final plan.

Finally, the Army questioned the need for MALSR lighting to Runway 26 as the facility operates under IFR condition less than one percent of the year. The MALSR, however, remains in the plan based on ADOT's Navigational Aids and Aviation Services Special

Study (November 1998) which found that "Installation of MALSR to achieve ½ mile visibility coverage is not economically justified. However, it is warranted to meet system area coverage in eastern Cochise and southern Greenlee counties." The ODALS previously recommended for Runway 12-30 have, however, been removed from the plans.

Additional comments by the City recommended that the final design of the landside area enhance the efficiency and use of existing facilities and reduced construction costs as much as possible. This included shifting the aircraft conversion facility to the center of the acquisition area, redesigning the airport access road to separate land uses in the acquisition area, providing a wide taxiway connection between the existing GA apron and the new GA apron, and minimizing the northeasterly taxiway extensions. The City also identified a need to expand the helipad/helicopter landing area.

The final layout plans for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport were designed in consideration of the comments of these individuals and associations, as well as other comments received during the PAC meeting.

AIRPORT DESIGN STANDARDS

As a joint use facility, airfield development at Sierra Vista Municipal

Airport/Libby Army Airfield is subject to military design and safety standards as prescribed in Air Force Manual 32-1123(I)/ Army Technical Manual TM 5-803-7, Airfield and Heliport Planning (Revised 5/1/1999). and Design Additionally, FAA airfield design standards also affect the Airport, and are found in FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5300-13, Airport Design. Both the military and FAA design standards are based on the performance and physical characteristics of the most demanding type of aircraft currently using or expected to use the Airport. The planning criteria (both military and FAA) governing Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield presented in Table 5A.

As a result of the joint use status, military standards govern the majority of runway and taxiway design at the Airport. This includes elements such as runway class; runway widths and lengths; taxiway widths; runway/ taxiway separation, and runway clear zones, etc. At the Airport, each runway along with their related taxiway system has been designed according to a specific military (DOD) runway Additionally, each of classification. these classifications comparatively corresponds to a FAA specified Airport Reference Code (ARC). Where military and civil aviation standards differ. military standards supersede civilian standards. Those areas of the Airport which are designated for civilian use only, however, are designed specifically to FAA criteria.

TABLE 5A Airport Planning and Design Standards						
	Runway 8-26	Runway 12-30	Runway 3-21			
Planning/Design Standard						
Runways						
Military Class ¹	Class B	Class A	Class A			
Airport Reference Code ²	E-V	C-III	B-II			
Length	12,000'	5,365'	4,300'			
Width	150'	100'	75'			
Pavement Strength	640 DDT	172 DDT	Undetermined			
Runway Safety Area			4.50			
Width	580'	500	150'			
Length Beyond Runway End	1,000'	1,000'	300'			
Runway Object Free Area ²	0001	0001	5001			
Width	800'	800'	500'			
Length Beyond Runway End	1,000'	1,000'	300'			
Runway Lateral Clearance 1	1 0001	500'	500'			
(½ Primary Surface)	1,000'	520'	520'			
Runway Centerline to Taxiway Centerline 1	1,034'	320	320			
Runway Clear Zones (Each Runway End) 1 Width	3,000'	1,000'	1,000'			
Width Length	3,000'	3,000'	3,000'			
Approach Slope	50:1	40:1	40:1			
Approach Stope	30.1	10.1	10.1			
<u>Taxiways</u>						
Width	75'1	50'2	40'1			
Strength	640 DDT	172 DDT	12.5 SWL			
Notes: Pavement strengths are measured in thousands of pounds.						
DDT = Double Dual-Tandem Wheel Loa	-		ling.			
Sources: Air Force Manual 32-1123(I)/Army Tec	•	•	•			
•	Heliport Planning and Design (Revised 5/1/1999).					
² FAA Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5300-13, Airport Design.						

RECOMMENDED MASTER PLAN CONCEPT

The recommended master plan concept provides for anticipated civilian aviation facility needs for Sierra Vista and the surrounding region throughout the 20-year planning horizon. The following sections provide a brief discussion of the major improvements proposed for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield throughout the planning period.

AIRSIDE RECOMMENDATIONS

Airside improvement recommendations at the Airport are relatively limited, and focus primarily on taxiway, visual navigational aids, and airfield lighting improvements. These improvements will serve to enhance both the capacity and safety of civilian and military operations thus enhancing the overall efficiency and value of the Airport. The following subsections address the recommended improvements as they relate to the runway/taxiway system at Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield.

Runways

As previously stated, both military and FAA design standards are based on the performance and physical characteristics of the most demanding type of aircraft currently using or expected to use the Airport or a particular runway. Military runway classifications are Class A, which is applied to runways intended for primarily small light aircraft (i.e., C-1, T-34, UV-18, DASH-7 and DASH-8, etc.), and Class B, for high performance (i.e., F-15, F-16, A-10, etc.) and large heavy aircraft (i.e., C-130, C-141, KC-10, etc.). The FAA uses criteria based on aircraft approach speed (five categories) and wingspan categories) to determine design standards. The resulting combined alpha-numeric FAA classification (i.e., A-I, B-II, E-IV) is known as an Airport Reference Code (ARC).

Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield is served by three runways. Runway 8-26 (Class B military/FAA ARC E-V) is the primary runway serving both military and civilian aircraft while Runways 12-30 (Class A military/FAA ARC C-III) and 3-21 (Class A military/FAA ARC B-II) serve as crosswind runways. This triangular runway configuration is the typical layout of most military airfields. From a civilian aviation perspective, the airfield capacity analysis in Chapter Three analyzed runway elements at Airport for each runwav individually as well as collectively. These elements included runway orientation, runway length, runway width, and runway pavement strength. When examined collectively the existing three runway configuration determined to be sufficient to serve the Airport through the long term planning horizon.

Runway 8-26 - is oriented east to west and is 12,000 feet long by 150 feet in width. Pavement strength ratings for this runway are 75,000 pounds single wheel loading (SWL), 150,000 pounds dual wheel loading (DWL), 300,000 pounds dual tandem wheel loading (DT), and 640,000 pounds double dual tandem wheel loading (DDT). Runway 26 is currently served by a CAT I ILS (instrument landing system) approach with 200-foot decision height, 3/4-mile visibility minimums. This system consists of a localizer antenna and glide slope antenna.

The recommended master plan concept proposes no change to the runway's length, width, or pavement strength. It does recommend the installation of a MALSR approach light system to Runway 26 in order to reduce the approach minimums to 200-foot, ½-mile

visibility, consistent with the ADOT Navigational Aids and Aviation Special Services Study released in March 1999. Additionally, the establishment of supplemental non-precision approaches are also recommended for Runway 8-26. Finally, recommended that the visual approach slope indicator system (VASI-4) serving Runway 8-26 be replaced by precision approach path indicators (PAPI-4). As discussed in Chapter Three, the FAA has recommended nationwide that all VASI systems be eventually replaced by the more sophisticated PAPI systems.

Runway 12-30 - Is oriented northwest-southeast. This runway is 5,365 feet in length by 100 feet in width. The published pavement strength ratings for Runway 12-30 are 46,000 lbs. SWL; 106,000 lbs. DWL; 137,000 lbs. DTWL; and 172,000 lbs. DDTWL.

The existing Runway12-30/Taxiway D intersection does not have the required pavement strength to accommodate large aircraft. Currently, jet operations are not allowed on Runway 12-30 due to these weight bearing limitations and the potential FOD (Foreign Object Damage) hazards for aircraft using the runway. In the future, Type ADG V (B-747) aircraft are expected to use Taxiway D to move to and from the proposed aircraft conversion facility. The existing asphalt, therefore, will need to be removed and replaced with reinforced concrete (640,000 pounds DDTWL) capable of supporting Type ADG V aircraft. No additional airsiderelated improvements to Runway 12-30 are proposed.

Runway 3-21 - Which is oriented northeast to southwest, is 4,300 feet in length by 75 feet in width. No physical improvements (e.g., runway length, width, etc.) are recommended to this runway at this time. As of the date of this publication, there is no published weight bearing capacity for this runway. For future planning purposes, Chapter Three recommends that the pavement strength rating for Runway 3-21 be determined.

NAVAID enhancements recommended for Runway 3-21 include the installation of PAPI-2s and runway end identification lights (REILs) to each end of the runway. PAPIs assist pilots with visual guidance information during landings to the runway while the REILs provide rapid and positive visual identification of the approach end of the runway.

Taxiways and Taxilanes

The purpose of taxiways and taxilanes are to facilitate aircraft ground movements to and from the runway system. Typically, taxiways are directly related to the runway system while taxilanes are more associated with transitioning aircraft to or from their parking/storage areas to the taxiway and runway system.

A well designed, efficient taxiway system not only improves airfield safety but contributes to optimizing the capacity of the airfield by minimizing delays caused by ground traffic congestion such as the necessity of taxiing aircraft to cross active runways. To that effect, t h e taxiway improvements recommended for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield focus on separating military and civilian operations at the airport and eliminating civilian aircraft crossings of active runways. Meanwhile, the proposed taxilane improvements are designed to service the planned development within the 203-acre property acquisition area.

Chapter Three outlined the proposed improvements remaining to completed from the 1995 Airport Master Plan. These improvements include the construction of the north side parallel taxiway to Runway 8-26 as well as connector taxiways Al and Bl. The construction of the new parallel taxiway requires the realignment of Taxiway J to ensure an efficient and smooth intersection (transition) between the two taxiways. As noted in Chapter Four, these taxiway improvements are presently in the design and engineering phase. These improvements are slated for completion within the Stage II planning horizon (years one through five) which is described in greater detail in the next chapter.

Based on a combination of factors including DOD standards, terrain restrictions, and the Army's request for additional separation, the proposed northside parallel taxiway is to be located 1,034 feet (centerline-to-centerline) north of Runway 8-26. Additional military standards followed in the design of this and the other taxiways described above include a taxiway width of 75 feet. This taxiway will be constructed in two phases.

Phase I involves constructing approximately 1,570 feet of taxiway between Taxiway D and Runway 3-21. This first phase will be accomplished in conjunction with the realignment of Taxiway J. Phase II will extend the parallel taxiway approximately 6,815 feet to the Runway 8 end. Taxiways A and B will be extended north from the runway to connect to the new parallel taxiway. The recommended pavement strength rating of each of these taxiways is equivalent to that of Runway 8-26. The DOD standards employed cover a Class B runway. Corresponding FAA standards military Class B would be Aircraft Design Group (ADG) IV.

As illustrated, the proposed north side parallel Taxiway J falls just outside of the existing joint-use area (Parcel D of 1982 deed). Prior to development of the taxiway, the City will need to either: (1) amend Parcel D or (2) process the project through a "donation" process, as defined by the Army, addressing maintenance in a separate agreement. This would need to be resolved in consultation with the Army.

proposed The aircraft conversion facility, air cargo facility, and federal agencies development in the 203-acre acquisition area requires construction of an ADG-IV (B-747) This taxilane will extend taxilane. approximately 1,380 feet northeast from the existing end of Taxiway D into the From there, it development area. intersects a second taxilane serving those large aircraft-related businesses located east of the wash. Crossing the wash requires constructing a taxilane bridge capable of supporting these large aircraft. A medium amount of earthwork will be required to construct these taxilanes as FAA design standards for large aircraft specify one percent (1%) maximum pavement gradients.

To serve the proposed general aviation development area north of Airport Avenue a 158-foot wide, two-way taxilane will be constructed. This taxilane, to be constructed to ARC B-II standards, will necessitate closing a portion of Airport Avenue. Access to the commercial service area will be provided by the new access road.

All physical improvements to the existing taxiways as well as new taxiway/taxilane construction is reflected on the ALP.

Currently, medium intensity taxiway lighting (MITL) is installed on all civilian taxiways at the airport. All new and/or realigned civilian use taxiways at the Airport are proposed to be equipped with medium intensity taxiway lighting (MITL), as well. Meanwhile, the southside parallel taxiway, which is used almost exclusively by the military, is equipped with reflectors only. Future upgrading of this taxiway with MITLs is reflected on the ALP. Sources for funding this upgrade to the southside taxiway are discussed in the next chapter.

Helipads

The existing helipad and helicopter parking area located south of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) facilities currently consists of one landing pad and one parking pad. Future expansion plans for this area provides for two helicopter landing pads and three helicopter parking pads. These improvements, depicted on the ALP, will require relocating the existing CAP facilities to the new general aviation development area within the proposed property acquisition area.

In addition, two smaller helipads are to be located on Taxiway G just south of the existing general aviation aircraft parking apron. These helipads are limited to brief use for helicopters loading and unloading passengers, crew, and/or cargo. They are not available for long-term or overnight parking as they would interfere with the use of the taxiway. These are intended to serve as a short-term use until the 203 acres are acquired, the Civil Air Patrol is relocated, and the expanded helipad/helicopter parking area is constructed.

LANDSIDE RECOMMENDATIONS

Landside improvements comprise the bulk of the recommended improvements proposed for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield. includes construction of single aircraft storage hangars (T-Hangars), additional conventional/corporate hangar positions, construction of additional general aviation apron and aircraft parking positions, new general aviation terminal facilities, and expanded automobile parking facilities. outlined in Chapter Four, the majority of the landside improvements are planned for the proposed 203-acre acquisition area. As identified in

Chapter Six, acquisition of this additional acreage is critical to the Airport's ability to meet forecasted demand and to be financially self-203 acres. sufficient. Of this approximately 60 acres are dedicated to general aviation development which is to be constructed in Development regarding the remaining 143 acres is described under Other Facilities Development at the end of this section. To aid in the comparison of the recommended landside use with those evaluated in Chapter Four, Exhibit 5A, Recommended Land Use Plan, illustrates the final proposal. The acreages illustrated in this plan are consistent with those identified in the Final Environmental Assessment, as discussed in Chapter Four. Details of the overall landside improvements are as follows:

Aircraft Storage Hangar Facilities: Long-term plans include the construction of 32 T-Hangar aircraft storage positions (37,700 s.f.) and 42 conventional/corporate hangar positions (92,300 s.f.). These facilities are to be located in the new general aviation development area of the 203-acre acquisition area and are shown on the ALP and General Aviation Area Plan.

Additionally, four corporate jet-sized box hangars are identified to go on existing airport property and to serve an immediate demand. These hangars would each be 60 feet by 60 feet, sufficient to accommodate one corporate jet and/or a number of smaller general aviation aircraft.

General Aviation Apron/Aircraft Parking Positions: Within the

proposed 203-acre acquisition area, a new general aviation apron is proposed with a minimum of eight aircraft parking positions: four itinerant positions (2,800 s.y.), two local-based aircraft positions (1,140 s.y.), and two jet or large aircraft positions (3,200 s.y.). These additional parking positions are co-located with the proposed FBO hangar(s) and general aviation terminal building. These improvements are reflected on the ALP, Terminal Area Plan, and General Aviation Area Plan.

Commercial Service Terminal Facilities: Expansion of the administrative and baggage claim areas of this facility are internal and, therefore, are not depicted on the ALP.

General Aviation Terminal Facilities: Currently, GA terminal facility functions are provided by the main FBO at the Airport. The facility requirements analysis conducted in Chapter Three identified the need to double the existing available space from 1,240 s.f. to 2,500 s.f. To accomplish this, the existing FBO facility will be converted to an air ambulance facility and a new general aviation terminal facility will be constructed in the general aviation development area of proposed 203-acre property acquisition area. Details of these facilities are shown on the Terminal Area Plan and General Aviation Area Plan.

Airport Access Roads and Vehicle Parking: To access the 203-acre acquisition area, the existing entrance at Airport Avenue will be closed and a new airport access road constructed

approximately 960 feet to the northwest. This new road will bisect the southern half of the proposed acquisition area and connect to the existing commercial service terminal parking lot. From there, another new road will connect this existing parking lot and the area reserved for Federal Agencies development.

A north-to-south road will serve those facilities located on the middle and northern half of the property acquisition area as well as connect to the existing portion of Airport Avenue which is to be retained. In addition, the construction of the proposed two-way taxiway from the existing general aviation area to the future general aviation development area, will require closing a section of Airport Avenue. In the future, Airport Avenue will terminate at its entrance to the general aviation parking lot located directly north of the aircraft wash rack facility.

In **Chapter Two**, automobile parking requirements for the commercial service terminal were deemed to be more than adequate throughout the 20-year planning horizon.

Meanwhile, general aviation vehicle parking needs were considered insufficient for the long term period. Plans call for increasing the number of available GA parking spaces from 28 to 92 by the end of the long term planning horizon. These 64 new spaces would be divided between 11 new GA terminal parking spaces and 53 parking spaces designed to serve the proposed or existing GA hangar areas. For the short term, due to the over abundance of existing commercial service terminal

parking spaces, it appears that a portion of the GA parking requirements could be met by designating some of the commercial service parking for the existing general aviation use areas. Additional GA automobile parking will be required to serve the proposed development within the 203-acre acquisition area as well. Improvements to the airport access roads and vehicle parking requirements are depicted on the ALP, Terminal Area Plan, and General Aviation Area Plan.

Other Facilities Development: An area is reserved along the southwest boundary of the proposed property acquisition area for use by federal agencies. This layout allows federal agencies to utilize the large aircraft parking apron located northwest of the existing commercial service terminal. the U.S. Border Patrol/ Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Air Operations, and the United States Forest Service (USFS) have expressed interest in locating on the civilian side of the Airport. The total area reserved for federal agencies use is approximately 15 acres.

Centrally located within the property acquisition area is the main aircraft conversion facility use area. Along with the proposed office-hangar complex this operation requires a considerable amount of large aircraft storage space. Additional storage area has been provided west of the wash. The combined total area for the aircraft conversion facilities is approximately 75 acres.

North of the aircraft conversion complex is an area reserved for air cargo

operations. This approximate 15-acre site offers both airfield and ground access.

Approximately nine acres has been reserved for assembly and fabrication businesses along the northeast boundary of the property acquisition area. Businesses located here are conveniently located near State Route 90 and do not require airfield (taxiway) access.

Located in the extreme north corner of the property acquisition area is the reserved wastewater treatment facility site. To take advantage of the natural grade, this facility is located at the lowest elevation of the property outside of the wash. The wastewater treatment facility site totals approximately six (6) acres.

Each of the above described areas are illustrated on the ALP and General Aviation Area Plan.

AIRPORT LAYOUT PLANS

The remainder of this chapter provides a brief description of the official layout drawings for the airport that will be submitted to the FAA and ADOT for review and approval. These plans, collectively referred to as the Airport Layout Plan Set, have been prepared to graphically depict the ultimate airfield layout, facility development, related airspace, runway approach surfaces, runway clear zones, and on-airport land uses and related noise contours. This set of plans include:

- Airport Layout Plan and Data Sheet
- Terminal Area Plan
- Airspace Plan
- Airspace Inner Surfaces Plan
- Approach Zones Profiles
- Clear Zones Plans
- On-Airport Land Use Plan

The airport layout plan set has been prepared on a computer-aided drafting (CAD) system for future ease of use and revision. This computerized plan set provides detailed information existing and future facility layout on multiple layers that permits the user to focus in on any section of the airport at a desirable scale. The plan can be used as base information for design, and can be easily updated in the future to reflect new development and more detail concerning existing conditions (as made available through design surveys). The airport layout plan set is submitted to the FAA for approval and must reflect all future development for which federal funding is anticipated, otherwise, the proposed development will not be eligible for federal funding. Updating these drawings to reflect changes in existing and ultimate facilities is essential.

AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN

The Airport Layout Plan (ALP) shown on Sheet 2, and its corresponding Data Sheet (Sheet 1), graphically presents the existing and ultimate airport layout. Detailed airport and run way data are provided to facilitate the interpretation of the

Master Plan recommendations. Both airfield and landside improvements are illustrated.

TERMINAL AREA PLAN

The Terminal Area Plan (Sheet 3) provides greater detail concerning landside improvements and at a larger scale than the ALP. The Terminal Area Plan includes details concerning landside development within the existing civilian use area north of Runway 8-26.

AIRSPACE PLANS

The five drawings (Sheets 4 through 8) comprising the airspace plans for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield present varying levels of detail regarding the airspace associated with the Airport. These drawings include the F.A.R. Part 77 Airspace Plan, Airspace Inner Surfaces Plan, Approach Zones Profiles, and Clear Zones Plans. Each of these drawings is described in greater detail in the following sections.

AIRSPACE PLAN AND AIRSPACE INNER SURFACES PLAN

Sheet 4, F.A.R. Part 77 Airspace Plan, and Sheet 5, F.A.R. Part 77 Airspace Inner Surfaces Plan illustrate the imaginary surfaces as specified in both the military's Airfield and Heliport Planning and Design and Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 77, Objects Affecting Navigable

These specifications were Airspace. established to protect the airspace surrounding the Airport and the approaches to each runway end from hazards that could affect the safe and efficient operation of aircraft arriving and departing Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield. As a joint use facility, under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army, military design standards covering Class A and B runways take precedence over any civilian standards set forth by the FAA. The Airspace Plan is a tool to aid local authorities in controlling the height of objects near Airport, and determining if proposed development could present a hazard to the Airport and obstruct the approach path to a runway end. The obstructions shown on Sheet 5 were derived from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) 2000 Airport Obstruction Chart (OC 5081) for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield.

Airspace Imaginary Surfaces

The Airspace Plan assigns threedimensional imaginary areas to each runway. These imaginary surfaces emanate from the runway centerline and are based on aircraft intended to utilize the runway. The militarydefined airspace imaginary surfaces include the runway lateral clearance zone (or primary surface), approachdeparture clearance surface (both slope and horizontal), inner horizontal surface. conical surface, outer horizontal surface, transitional surface. and runway clear zones. FAA Part 77 imaginary surfaces include the primary, approach, transitional, horizontal and conical surfaces. As indicated by the names, the definitions of several of these surfaces are the same for both military and civilian purposes. The applicable airspace imaginary surfaces for Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield are described in the following paragraphs.

Runway Lateral Clearance Zone (Primary Surface). The runway lateral clearance zone is an imaginary surface longitudinally centered on the runway. This surface extends 200 feet beyond each runway end. The elevation of any point on the runway lateral clearance zone surface is the same as the elevation along the nearest associated point on the runway centerline. Under military regulations, the runway lateral clearance zone surface widths for both Class A and Class Brunways (at Army airfields) are 1,000 feet. Sheet 5, Airspace Inner Surfaces Plan indicates several obstructions to the runway lateral clearance zone surface at the Airport. An FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to examine the effects of these penetrations.

Approach/Departure Clearance Surface. The approach/departure clearance surface for each runway is intended to protect the safety of aircraft arriving and departing the Airport and prohibit the growth of natural objects or the construction of objects which could present an obstruction to approach and departure paths located at each runway end. The approach/departure clearance surfaces for Class A and B instrument flight rules (IFR) runways consist of two segments while Class A visual flight

rules (VFR) runways have only one segment.

For Runway 8-26, a Class B IFR runway, the first segment (slope) begins at the end of the primary surface (200 feet from the runway end) and extends upward and outward, centered along an extended runway centerline. existing approach/departure clearance surface (slope) for each end of Runway 8-26 extends 25,000 feet from the end of the primary surface at an upward slope of 50 to 1 to a width of 9,000 feet and an elevation of 500 feet (above runway centerline elevation at runway threshold) where it meets the second segment of the approach/departure clearance surface. The second segment, known as the approach/departure clearance surface (horizontal), has no slope and continues an additional 25,000 feet and terminates at a width of 16,000 feet.

Runway 12-30 is a Class A IFR runway, and its first segment of the approach/departure clearance surface (slope) extends outward 20,000 feet and upward from the primary surface at a slope of 40:1 to an elevation 500 feet above the runway threshold elevation. The width of this segment where it meets the second segment is 7,000 feet. The approach/departure clearance surface (horizontal) begins here maintaining the same width and elevation and continues another 30,000 feet.

The approach/departure clearance surface for Runway 3-21 (Class A, VFR) is made up of one section, the slope section, which extends outward 10,000

feet and upward from the primary surface at a slope of 40:1 to a termination point 250 feet above the runway threshold elevation and a width of 2,500 feet.

The Airspace Plan, as shown on Sheets 4 and 5, provides a planemetric view of each runway's approach/departure surfaces while the **Approach Zones Profiles (Sheet 6)** depict the physical features in the approach/departure surface profile. Several obstructions to the approach/departure surfaces, both natural and man-made, are depicted on these drawings. Again, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to examine the effects of these possible penetrations.

Transitional Surface. Each runway has a transitional surface that begins at the outside edge of the primary surface at the same elevation as the runway. The transitional surface connects the primary surface and approachdeparture inner surface to the inner horizontal surface, conical surface, and outer horizontal surface. The surface rises at a slope of seven to one up to a height which is 150 feet above the highest airfield elevation. At that point, the transitional surface is replaced by the inner horizontal surface.

Analyses indicates there may be penetrations of the transitional surfaces at the Airport and, therefore, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to examine the effects of these possible penetrations.

Inner Horizontal Surface. The inner horizontal surface is established at 150

feet above the highest airfield elevation. Having no slope, the inner horizontal surface connects the transitional and approach surfaces to the conical surface at a distance of 7,500 feet from the end of the primary surfaces of each runway.

As with the transitional surface, analysis indicates there may be penetrations of the inner horizontal surfaces, including an area of terrain and vegetation southwest of the airfield. To determine the effects of these penetrations, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested.

Conical Surface. The conical surface begins at the outer edge of the inner horizontal surface and continues for an additional 7,000 feet horizontally at a slope of 20 to 1 to where it meets the inner edge of the outer horizontal surface. At this distance, the elevation of the conical surface is 500 feet above the highest airfield elevation.

A large area of terrain and vegetation southwest of the airfield penetrates the conical surface, therefore, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to examine the effects of these possible penetrations.

Outer Horizontal Surface. The outer horizontal surface is a flat plane beginning 500 feet above the highest airfield elevation at the outer edge of the conical surface and extending horizontally outward 30,000 feet. At the time of this publication, there were no known obstructions to this surface.

APPROACH ZONES PROFILES

The Approach Zones Profiles, Sheet 6, drawing illustrates that portion of the airspace surrounding Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield which directly relates to each runway end's respective approach surface. Though not as comprehensive as the two previously described airspace plan drawings, this drawing does provide an accurate profile representation of the approach surfaces to each runway end.

Physical features such as topography, roadways, overhead utilities, signs, etc. that are within the vicinity of each runway and which may effect the approach surface are depicted on the Approach Zones Profiles. These profile facilitate identification obstructions which lie within areas which should be free of objects and/or which could endanger the safety of aircraft arriving or departing the As previously discussed, Airport. several obstructions to the approach surfaces, both natural and man-made, are depicted on these drawings. Again, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to examine the effects of these possible penetrations.

CLEAR ZONES PLANS

The Clear Zones Plans shown on Sheets 7 and 8 illustrate the plan and profile view of the innermost portion of the approaches to each runway. The military's Airfield and Heliport Planning and Design defines a clear zone as "A surface on the ground or water beginning at the runway end and symmetrical about the runway centerline

extended." The purpose of the clear zone is to provide as clear as area as possible for aircraft takeoffs landings. The first 1,000 feet (length) of the clear zone is cleared and grubbed of stumps and is to be free of surface irregularities, ditches and ponding areas. For the remainder of the clear zone, permissible facilities, geographical features and land use guidance is provided in the Department of Defense's Air Installations Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) publication. Clear zone length and width dimensions are based on runway class, and are measured along extended runway centerline beginning at the runway end. Class A clear zone dimensions for Runways 12-30 and 3-21 are 3,000 feet in length by 1,000 feet in width. The Class B clear zone for Runway 8-26 measures 3,000 feet by 3,000 feet.

An examination of **Sheet 8** indicates there may be clear zone obstructions to Runways 12-30 and 3-21, therefore, an FAA Aeronautical Study should be requested to determine the effects of these possible obstructions.

ON-AIRPORT LAND USE/ NOISE PLAN

The On-Airport Land Use/Noise Plan (Sheet 9) reflects the recommendations for future land use development within the civilian boundaries (on-airport) of Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield. Both existing and future (20-year forecast) aircraft noise contours are depicted and are used to identify both compatible and non-compatible land uses. Non-compatible land uses within

the 65 to 75 DNL (day-night sound level) contours are based on Federal Aviation Regulation (F.A.R.) Part 150 guidelines.

On-airport land use planning is important for the orderly development and efficient use of limited, available space. In this case, on-airport is defined as all property to which the City of Sierra Vista controls, or plans to control for the purpose of providing a public-use airport. This property includes land which is needed for the development and use of runways, taxiways, aprons, terminal buildings, vehicle access and parking, and revenue support, etc. Two primary considerations in on-airport land use planning include securing those areas essential to the safe and efficient operation of the airport, and determining compatible land uses for the balance of the airport property. For reference, the civilian portion of Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield is surrounded by the Fort Huachuca Military Reservation, and as such, adjoining (off-airport) land uses are subject to and defined by the military.

Several on-airport land use categories have been defined. They include Airfield Operations, Commercial Service Area, General Aviation Area, Aviation Related Revenue Support, and Non-Aviation Revenue Support. These categories are discussed in detail in the following paragraphs.

Airfield Operations

This category encompasses those aviation facilities which are essential to

the operation of the airfield. At Sierra Vista Municipal Airport/Libby Army Airfield, this area has been designated for joint-use, supporting both military and civilian use. The joint-use area includes the runways, taxiways, and "runway lateral clearance area" (per DOD planning requirements).

Commercial Service Area

The Commercial Service Area is reserved for aircraft providing scheduled air carrier (regional/commuter) as well as other large aircraft operators. In order to accommodate larger aircraft, this apron area is or should be constructed to a higher pavement strength.

General Aviation Area

Typically, the general aviation (GA) land use category includes aircraft parking aprons, aircraft storage hangars and tiedowns, Fixed Base Operators (FBO) lease areas, airport operations and maintenance facilities, GA terminal building, and vehicle parking areas. Primarily, the purpose of these sites is to store, service, and support general aviation aircraft and activities. Also, included within this category are the parcels reserved for federal agencies.

Aviation Related Revenue Support

Land uses comprising this category have all been provided runway access via the Airport's taxiway/taxilane system. These areas offer strategic locations for those businesses which utilize aircraft in their operations, or supply and service aircraft.

Reserved areas within this category include the large aircraft conversion facility and air cargo facility. This land use category as well as the Non-Aviation Related Revenue Support category (see below) provide additional employment opportunities at the Airport and maximizes airport land use with respect to revenue generation. Proceeds from leasing these parcels will be used for airport support and maintenance, which further enables the Airport to be self-sufficient.

Non-Aviation Related Revenue Support

Non-Aviation Related Revenue Support parcels do not have taxiway/taxilane access, therefore, these parcels are best suited for those businesses that do not require direct airfield access yet which may still desire the visibility associated with locating on-airport. Specific business types within this category include assembly and manufacturing and the wastewater treatment facility.

SUMMARY

The Airport Layout Plan Set is designed to assist the City of Sierra Vista and the U.S. Army in making decisions relative to future development and growth at Sierra Vista Municipal Airport. The plan provides for development to satisfy expected Airport needs over the next twenty years and beyond. Flexibility will be a key to future development since activity may not occur exactly as The plan has considered forecast. demands that could be placed upon the Airport even beyond the twenty-year planning period to ensure that the facility is capable of accommodating a variety of circumstances.

The Airspace Plan(s) and the Land Use/Noise Plan drawings should be used as tools to ensure land use compatibility and restriction of the heights of future structures or antennae which could pose a potential hazard to air navigation. The Airport Layout Plan Set also provides the City with options in marketing the assets of the Airport for community development. Following the general recommendations of the plan, the Airport can maintain its long term viability and continue to provide quality air transportation and general aviation services to the region.



SIERRA VISTA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT and LIBBY ARMY AIRFIELD

AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

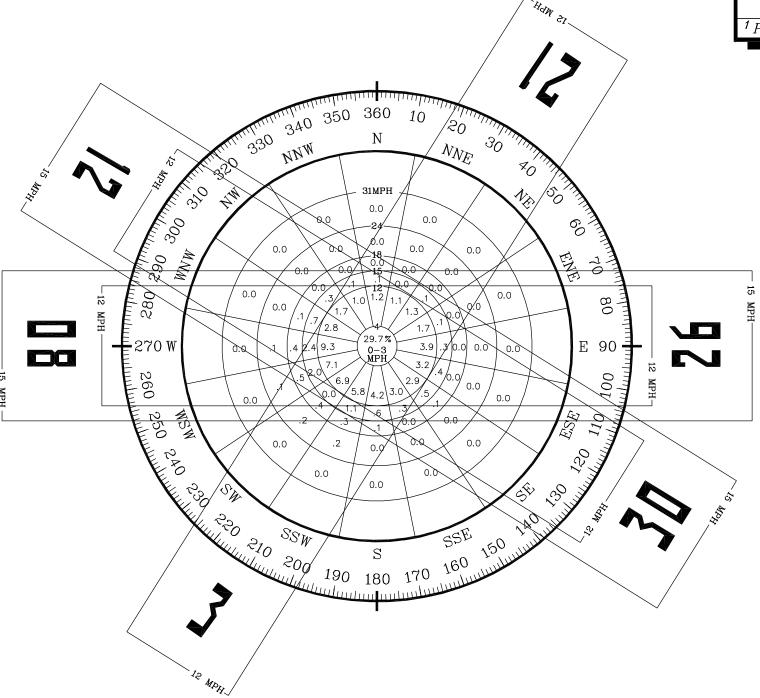
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RUNWAY DATA	RUNWAY 8-26		RUNWAY 12-30		RUNWAY	RUNWAY 3-21	
NONWAL DATA	EXISTING	ULTIMATE	EXISTING	ULTIMATE	EXISTING	ULTIMATE	
RUNWAY CATEGORY (ADG)/MILITARY CLASS	E-V/CLASS B	SAME	C-III/CLASS A	SAME	B-II/CLASS A	SAME	
RUNWAY AZIMUTH	270.00	SAME	306.796	SAME	216.796		
RUNWAY BEARING	N90°E	SAME	N53°12'16"W	SAME	S36°47'44"W	SAME	
RUNWAY DIMENSIONS	12,000' X 150'	SAME	5,365' X 100'	SAME	4,300' X 75'	SAME	
APPROACH VISIBILITY MINIMUMS	+1/2 MILE/+1/2 MILE	SAME	+3/4 MILE/+3/4 MILE	SAME	+1 MILE/+1 MILE	SAME	
RUNWAY INSTRUMENTATION	PRECISION/PRECISION	SAME	NONPREC. /NONPREC.	SAME	VISUAL/VISUAL	SAME	
RUNWAY APPROACH SURFACES	50:1/50:1	SAME	40:1/40:1	SAME	40:1/40:1	SAME	
RUNWAY THRESHOLD DISPLACEMENT	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	1,289'/NONE	SAME	
RUNWAY STOPWAY	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	
RUNWAY SAFETY AREA	14,000' X 580'	SAME	7,365' X 500'	SAME	4,900' X 150'	SAME	
RUNWAY OBJECT FREE AREA	14,000' X 800'	SAME	7,365' X 800'	SAME	4,900' X 500'	SAME	
TAKEOFF RUN AVAILABLE (TORA)	12,000' /12,000'	SAME	5,365'/5,365'	SAME	SAME	SAME	
TAKEOFF DISTANCE AVAILABLE (TODA)	12,000' /12,000'	SAME	5,365'/5,365'	SAME	SAME	SAME	
ACCELERATE-STOP DISTANCE AVAILABLE (ASDA)	12,000' /12,000'	SAME	5,365'/5,365'	SAME	SAME	SAME	
LANDING DISTANCE AVAILABLE (LDA)	12,000' /12,000'	SAME	5,365'/5,365'	SAME	SAME	SAME	
PAVEMENT MATERIAL	ASPHALT-CONCRETE	SAME	ASPHALT-CONCRETE	SAME	ASPHALT-CONCRETE	SAME	
PAVEMENT SURFACE TREATMENT	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	
PAVEMENT STRENGTH REPORT (in thousand lbs.)	¹ 75(S),150(D),300(DT),640(DDT)	SAME	46(S),106(D),137(DT),172(DDT)	SAME	UNKNOWN	12.5(S)	
RUNWAY EFFECTIVE GRADIENT (in %)	1.0	SAME	<1.0	SAME	2.04	SAME	
RUNWAY MARKING	PRECISION/PRECISION	SAME	PRECISION/PRECISION	SAME	VISUAL/VISUAL	SAME	
RUNWAY LIGHTING	HIRL	SAME	MIRL	SAME	MIRL	SAME	
RUNWAY APPROACH LIGHTING	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	NONE	SAME	
TAXIWAY LIGHTING	MITL/REFLECTORS	MITL/MITL	MITL/REFLECTORS	SAME	MITL/REFLECTORS	MITL	
TAXIWAY MARKING	CENTERLINE/EDGE	SAME	CENTERLINE/EDGE	SAME	CENTERLINE/EDGE	SAME	
NAVIGATIONAL VISUAL AIDS	VASI-4 (BOTH)	PAPI-4 (BOTH)	PAPI-4 (BOTH)	SAME	NONE	PAPI-2	
	ILS (26), ASR/PAR	SAME/MALSR	ASR/PAR	SAME		REILs	
	NDB (26)	SAME	REILs	SAME			
	VOR (26)	SAME		GPS			
	GPS	GPS.					
	REIL (BOTH)	DIFFERENTIAL UNIT					
Pavement strengths are expressed in Single (S)	Dual (D). Dual Tandem	a (DT), and/or Double	Dual Tandem (DDT) whee	l loading capaciti	es.		



WIND DATA

 Combined Coverage
 99.80%
 99.90%

RUNWAY 08-26 RUNWAY 03-21

RUNWAY 12-30

12 MPH 15 MPH 10.5 KNT 13 KNT 95.78% 96.68%

96.45% N/A

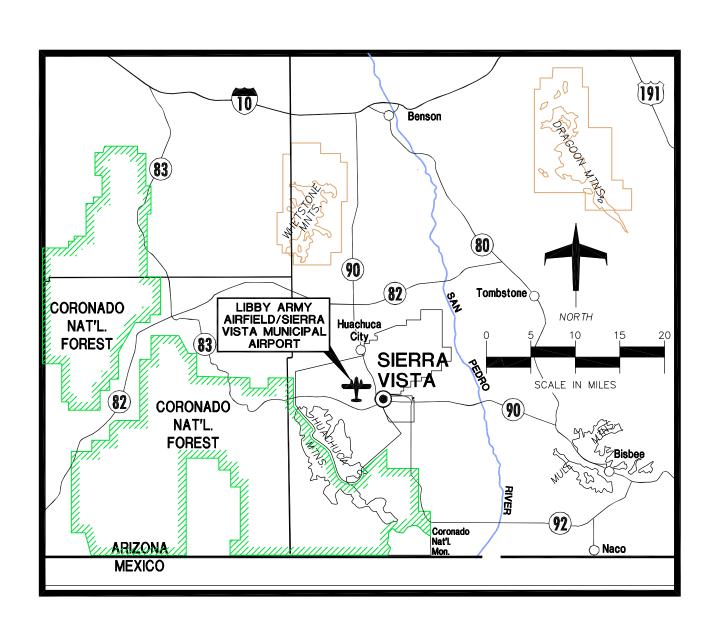
96.28% 98.92%

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AIRPORT DATA							
SIERRA VISTA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, LIBBY ARMY AIRFIELD (FHU)							
CITY: SIERRA VISTA	COUNTY:	COCHISE, ARIZONA					
RANGE: R 20E TOWNSHIP: T 21S	CIVIL T	OWNSHIP: N/A					
		EXISTING	ULTIMATE				
AIRPORT SERVICE LEVEL		COMMERCIAL	SAME				
AIRPORT REFERENCE CODE		E-V	SAME				
DESIGN AIRCRAFT		CIVILIAN (D-IV)	SAME				
		MILITARY (E-V)	SAME				
AIRPORT ELEVATION		4719.1' (MSL)	SAME				
MEAN MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE OF HOTTEST	MONTH	93°F (July)	SAME				
AIRPORT REFERENCE POINT	Latitude	31°35'18.500" N	SAME				
(ARP) COORDINATES (NAD 83)	Longitude	110°20'39.800'W	SAME				
AIRPORT and TERMINAL NAVIGATIONAL AIDS		ILS (8-26)	SAME				
		VOR	SAME				
		NDB	SAME				
		BEACON	SAME				
		ASR/PAR	SAME				
		GPS	SAME				

RUNWAY	END CO	ORDINATES	(NAD 83)
RUNWAY 8	Latitude	31° 35' 15.2281"N	SAME
HUNWAT 6	Longitude	110° 22' 01.3797"W	SAME
RUNWAY 26	Latitude	31° 35' 15.4464"N	SAME
HUNWAT 20	Longitude	110° 19' 42.6768"W	SAME
RUNWAY 12	Latitude	31° 35' 34.3510"N	SAME
RUNWAT IZ	Longitude	110° 20' 35.7654"W	SAME
RUNWAY 30	Latitude	31° 35' 02.6253"N	SAME
HUNWAT 30	Longitude	110° 19' 46.0296"W	SAME
RUNWAY 3	Latitude	31° 35' 10.1480" N	SAME
RUNWAY 3 (displaced threshold)	Longitude	110° 20′ 56.2906"W	SAME
DUNIMAY Of	Latitude	31° 35' 44.1424" N	SAME
RUNWAY 21	Longitude	110° 20' 26.7031"W	SAME

DEVIATIONS FROM FAA AIRPORT DESIGN STANDARDS						
DEVIATION DESCRIPTION	EFFECTED DESIGN STANDARD	STANDARD	EXISTING	PROPOSED DISPOSITION		
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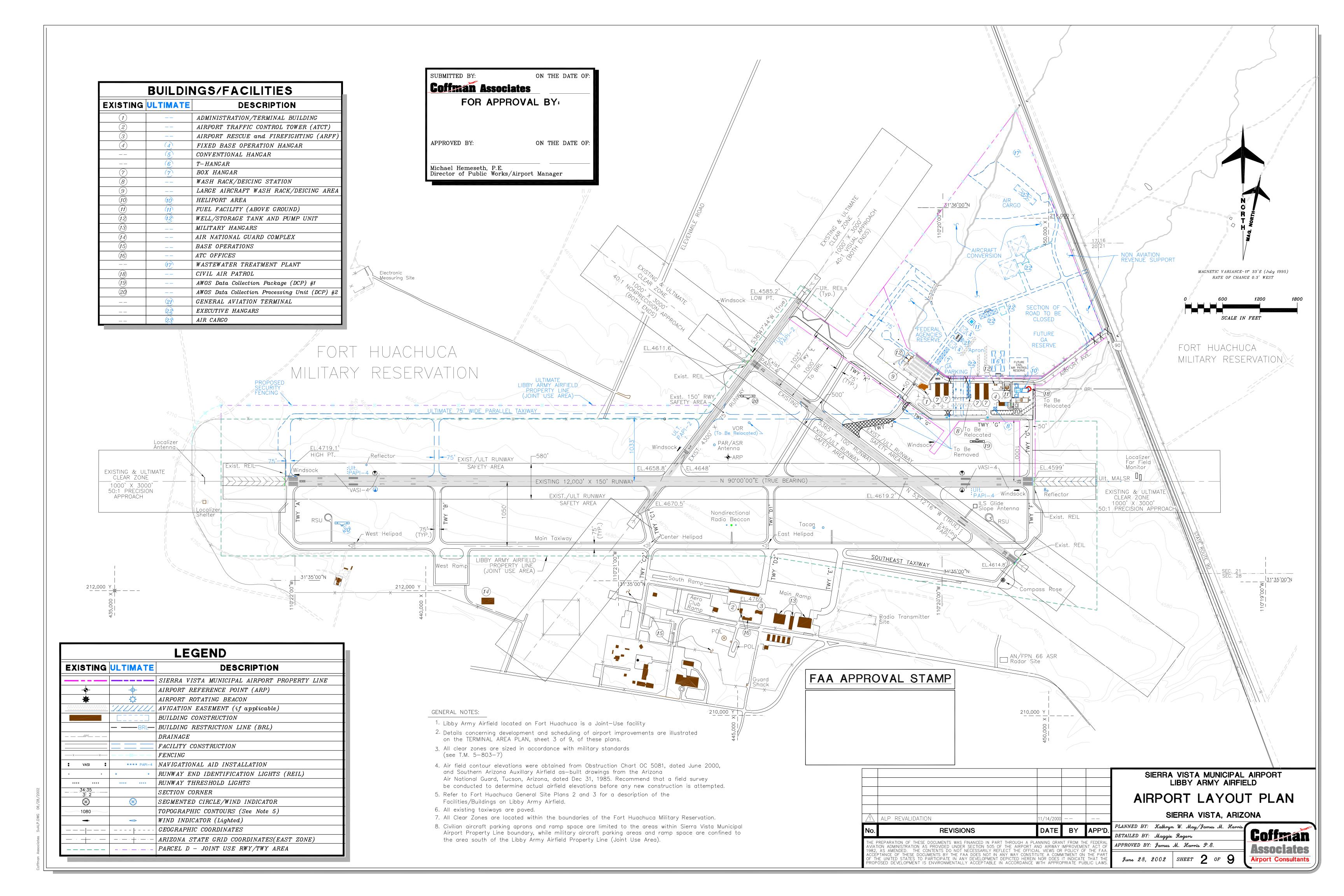


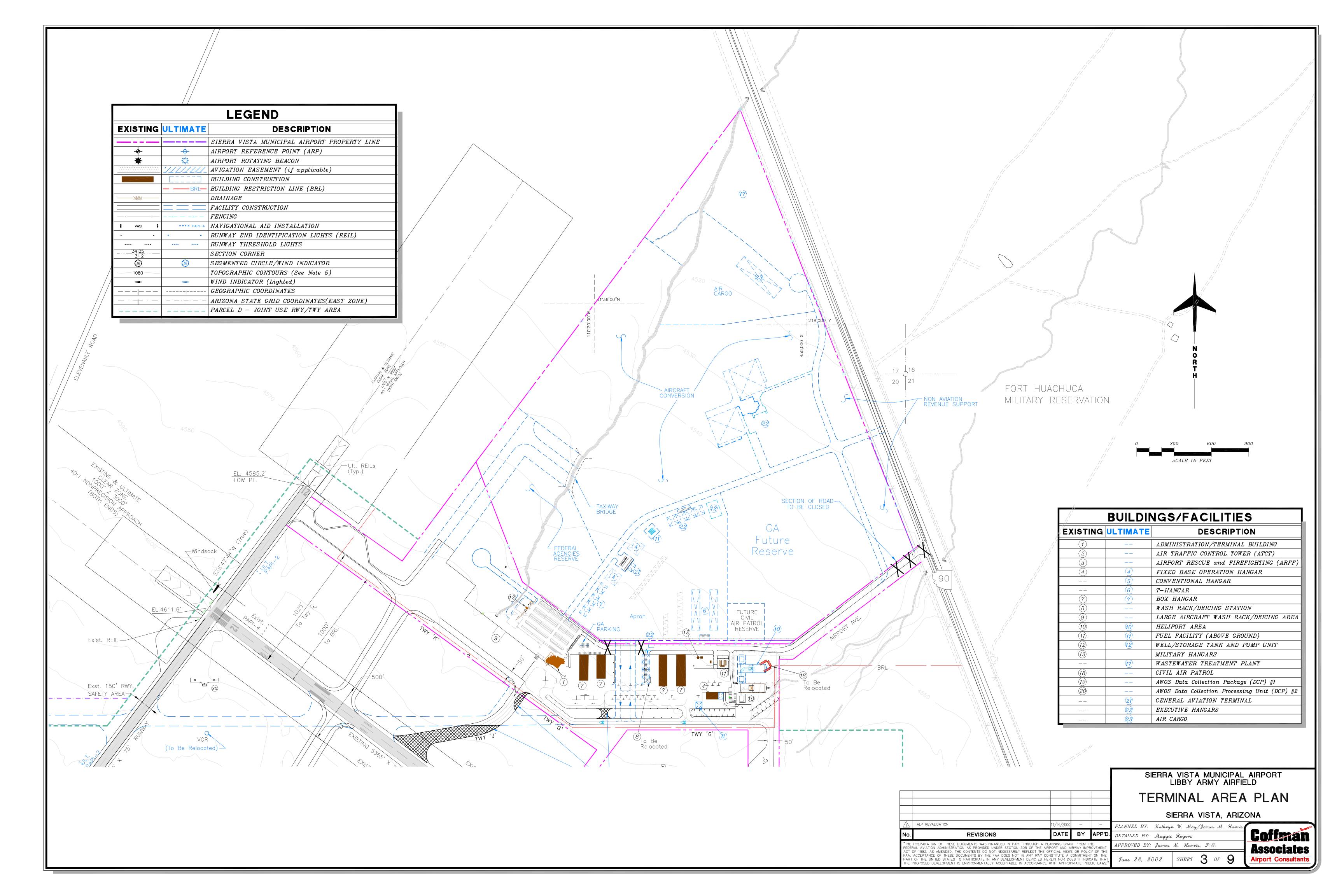
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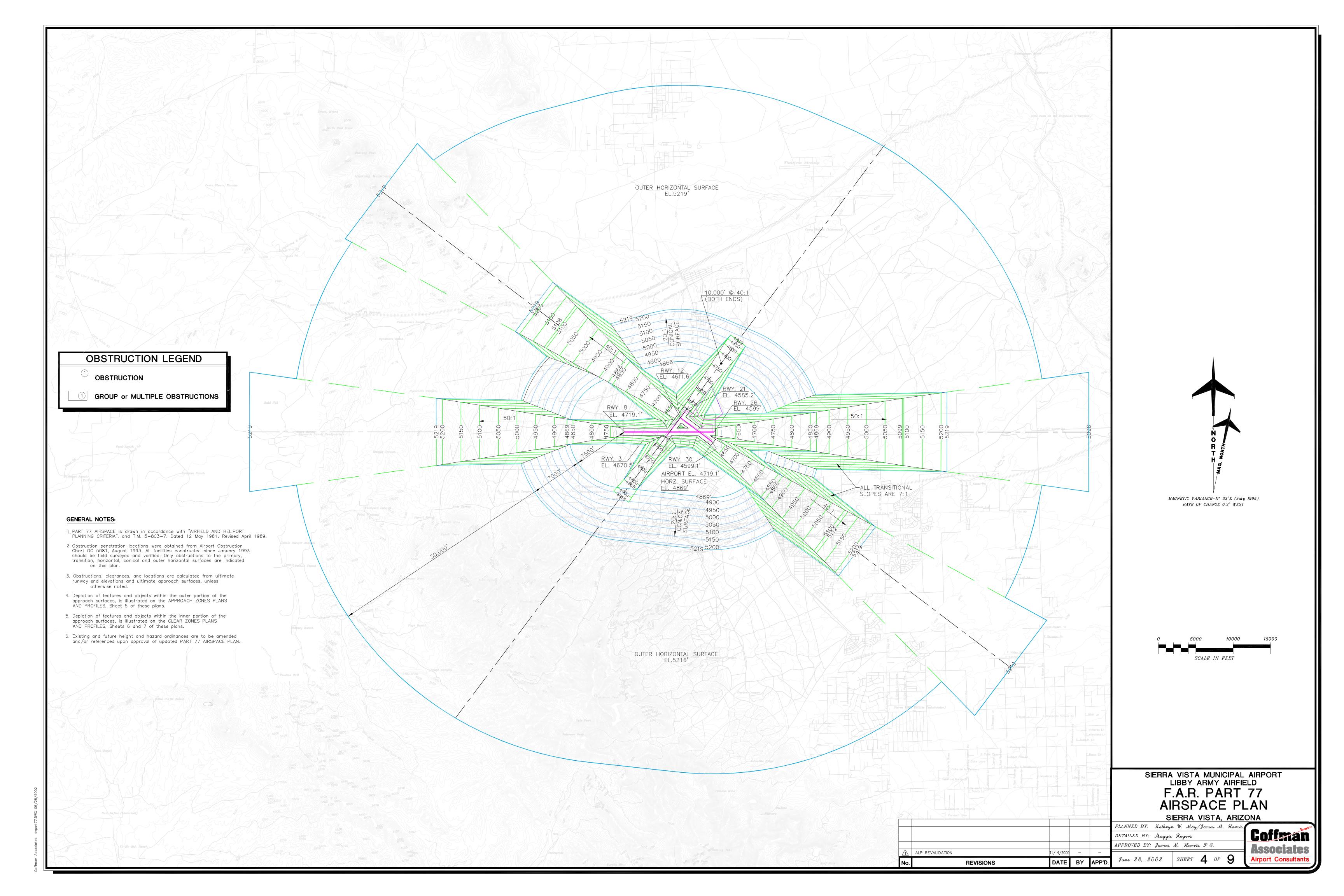
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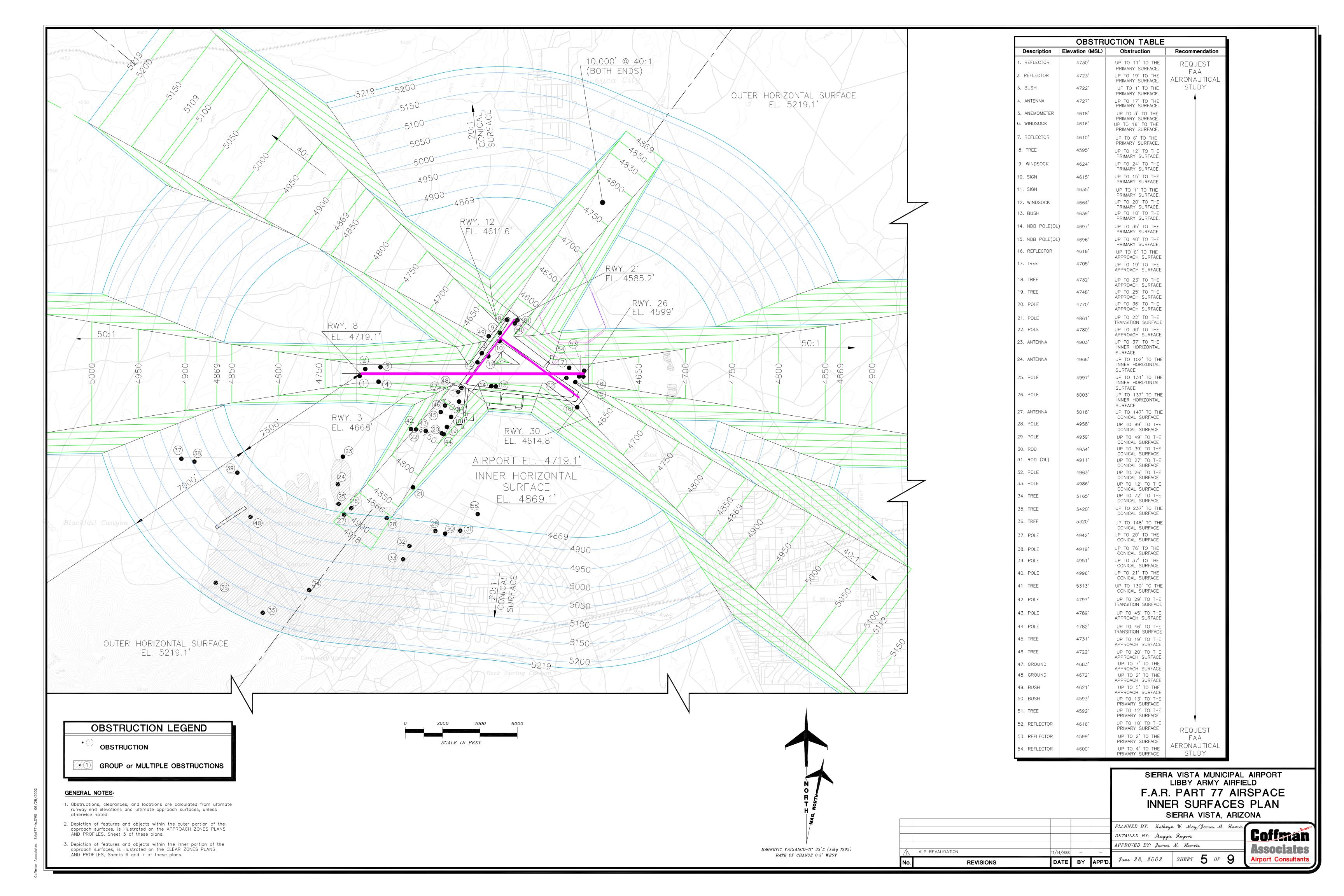
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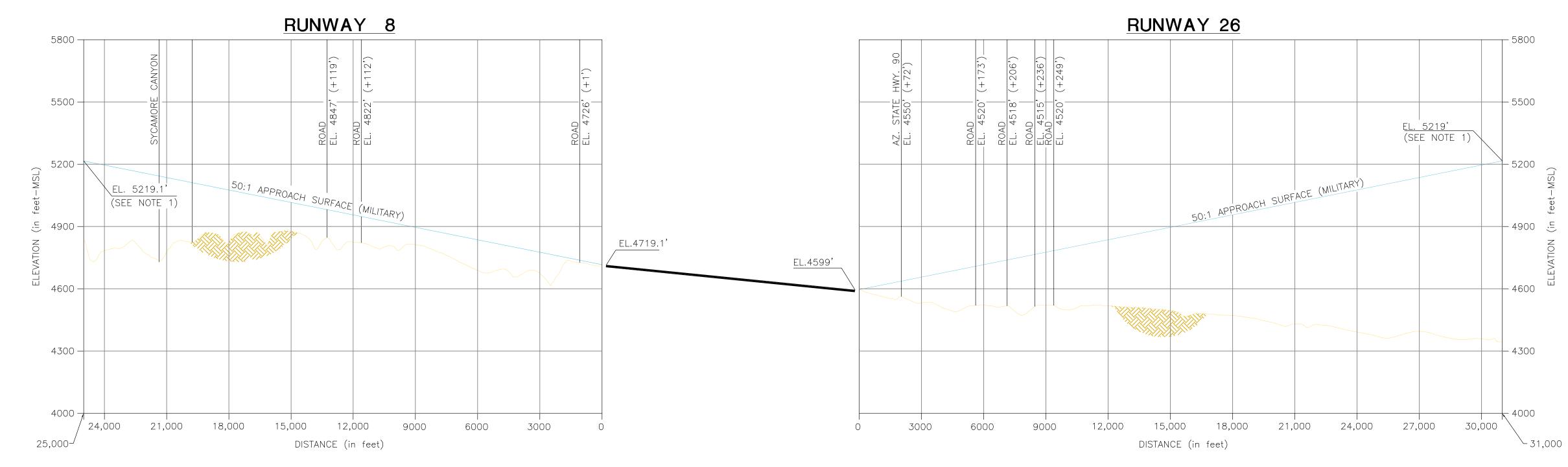
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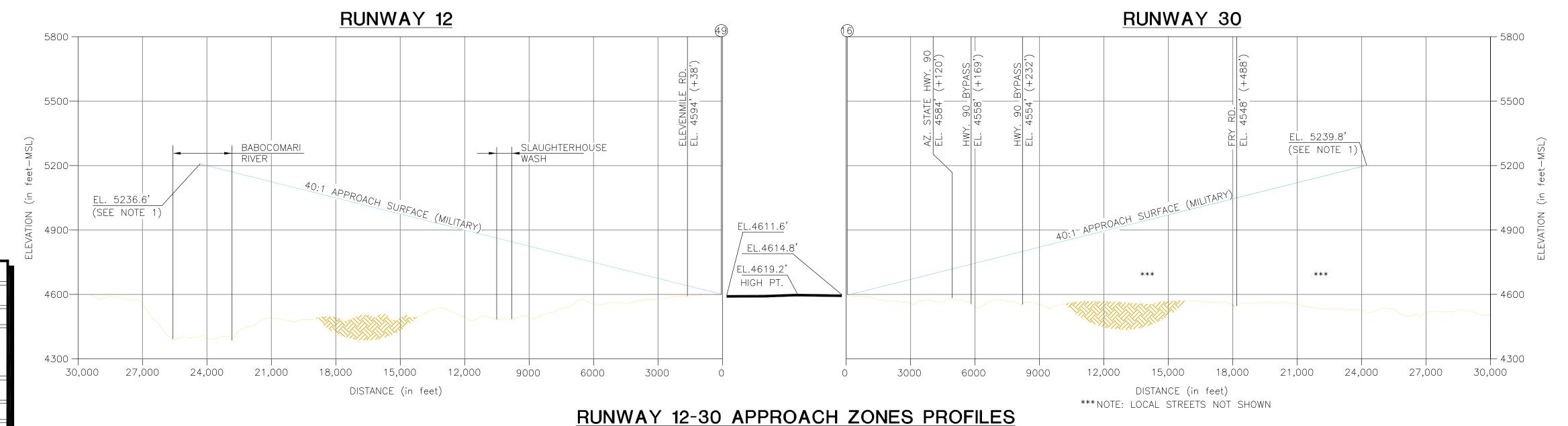


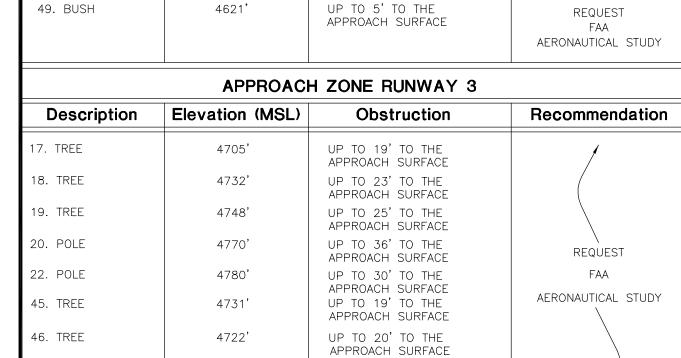






RUNWAY 8-26 APPROACH ZONES PROFILES





OBSTRUCTION TABLE

Obstruction

Recommendation

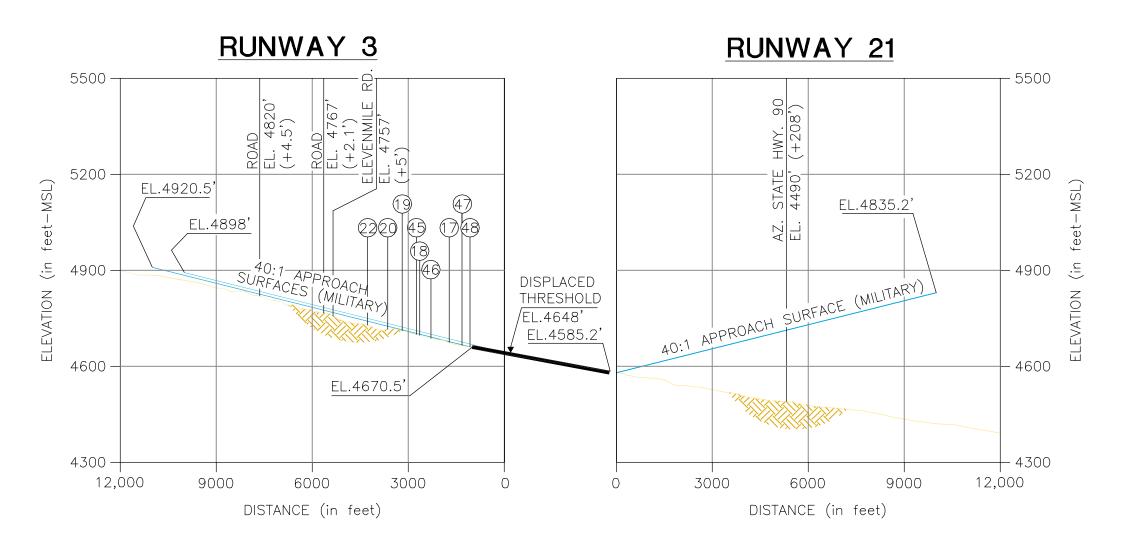
APPROACH ZONE RUNWAY 12

Description | Elevation (MSL) |

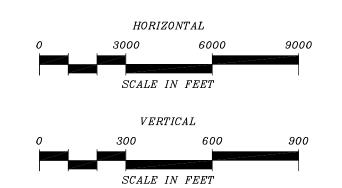
47. GROUND 48. GROUND	4683' 4672'	UP TO 7' TO THE APPROACH SURFACE UP TO 2' TO THE APPROACH SURFACE					
APPROACH ZONE RUNWAY 30							
Description	Elevation (MSL)	Obstruction	Recommendation				
16. REFLECTOR	4618'	UP TO 6' TO THE APPROACH SURFACE	REQUEST FAA AERONAUTICAL STUDY				

GENERAL NOTES:

- 1. The Outer Horizontal Surface (not shown) begins at this point and continues horizontally to a point 50,000 feet from the point of beginning of the approach surface. This applies to Runways 8—26 and
- 2. Obstructions, clearances, and locations are calculated from ultimate runway end elevations and ultimate approach surfaces, unless otherwise noted
- Depiction of features and objects within the primary, transitional, and horizontal surfaces, is illustrated on the AIRSPACE PLAN, sheets 4 and 5 of these plans.
- 4. Depiction of features and objects within the inner portion of the approach surfaces, is illustrated on the CLEAR ZONES PLAN, sheets 7 and 8 of these plans.



RUNWAY 3-21 APPROACH ZONES PROFILES



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			APPROACH ZONES F	PROFILES			
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